



## Flathead National Forest

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## Media Release

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# Public Encouraged to Engage in Forest Plan Revision

*Next Opportunity February 19 & 20*

KALISPELL, MT – The Flathead National Forest has begun revising its Forest Plan and invites everyone to participate. The next opportunity for the public to engage in Plan Revision will be at the next **FNF Stakeholder Collaboration Meetings** set for February 19 and February 20, 2014, at the Supervisor's Office at 650 Wolfpack Way in Kalispell. To ensure that we can accommodate everyone who wishes to attend we would kindly ask that you go directly to the website meeting page to register: <http://merid.org/en/FNFplanrevision.aspx>.

As a reminder the reference materials and agendas for the meetings are posted on the Meridian Institute [website](#) as well as linked below:

- **Wednesday, February 19, 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm - Habitat, Vegetation and Disturbance Work Group** (reference materials available [Click here](#))
- **Thursday, February 20, 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm - Recreation, Access, and Wilderness Work Group** (reference materials available [Click here](#))

Forest Plans provide strategic direction to guide management of forest resources and provide a framework for decision making on site-specific projects and activities. The new planning rule directs Forest Plans to be science-based and developed collaboratively with stakeholders interested in the management of national forests. The Flathead National Forest is committed to collaboration, improving transparency in the process, and strengthening the role of public involvement through dialogue on Forest plan issues.

If you are unable access this registration link above you may send your confirmation via email to Liz Duxbury with the Meridian Institute ([lduxbury@merid.org](mailto:lduxbury@merid.org)) with the following information: First and Last Name, Organization/Affiliation, Email (or other form of contact), and which meeting(s) you will attend.

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